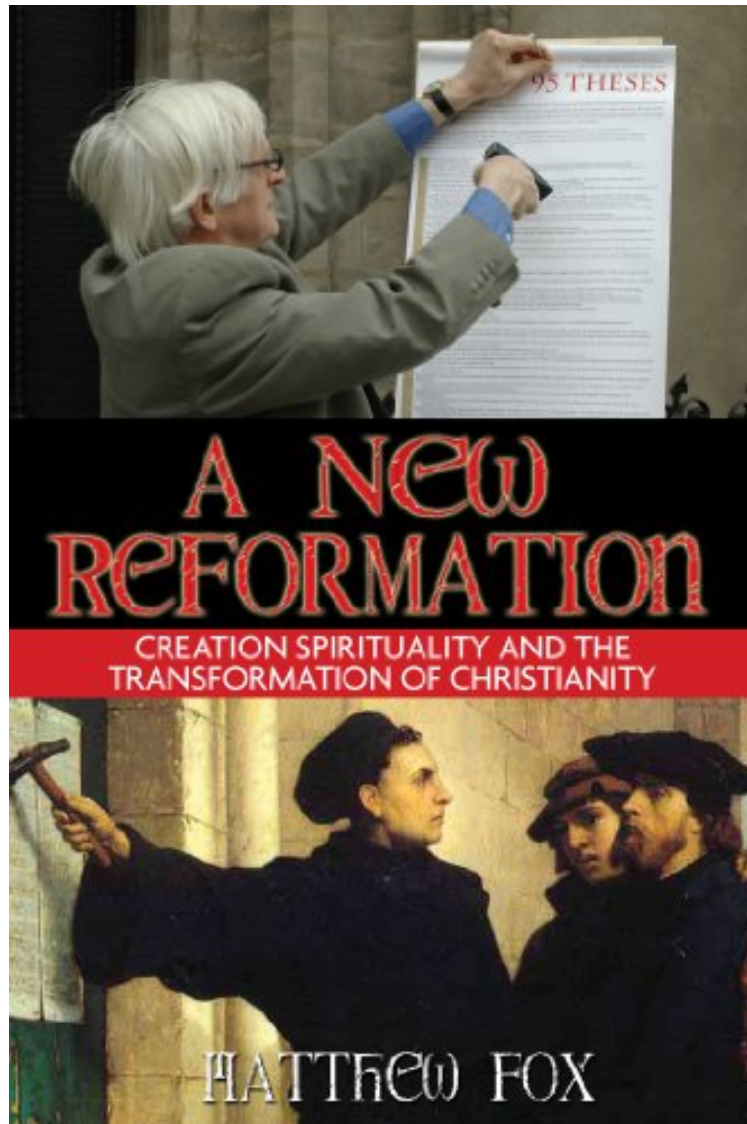


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A modern-day theologian calls for the radical transformation of Christianity. Echoes the Reformation initiated by Martin Luther in 1517. Addresses the corruption and authoritarian tendencies that distinguish today's Christian institutions from the spiritual message upon which they are founded. Offers a new vision of Christianity that values the Earth, honors the feminine, and emphasizes spiritual tolerance.

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